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## June 2022 - End of Season Newsletter

Dear Parent / Member

Now we are drawing to the end of the season we want to thank you for your support throughout this year of footballing. As we gradually returned from COVID times, it has been fantastic to see all our players in action again. Here are a few news items which we would appreciate you reading carefully, as they contain lots of information about the exciting times ahead.

### **Desford & Caterpillar have merged!**

As you may notice from our new logo, we have merged clubs with Caterpillar. After discussions we felt that as we both serve our local community, it made sense to provide better facilities by working together. This won't mean massive changes, but you may see some new faces around. Also, some training, matches and events may be at Caterpillar.

### **Presentation Day – Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June**

We are very much looking forward to our presentation day which will be at Caterpillar. It starts at 12.00 with a memorial match in memory of one of our senior's player's mum, who sadly passed away earlier this year. As part of this we are raising funds for Macmillan and raffle tickets will still be available to buy on the day. Please do come along and support this event. The presentations will follow on, and hot food & drinks will be available. There is also a bar. The full timetable is attached.

### **Signing on Day for 22-23 – Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June**

This will take the same format as previous years, and we would appreciate each team providing one parent to collect the forms on the day. Please let your manager know if you can help with this. Forms are now available from your manager. Please complete them before coming to sign on. We encourage you to pay by contactless if possible. It is club policy that all subs from the previous season must be cleared in full before signing on for a new year. Our treasurer will be contacting any parents over the coming weeks where amounts are still outstanding. If there are any financial difficulties, please email the treasurer in confidence where we can discuss the options available. Subs will begin again in August and run for 10 months to May. They will be collected through Pitchero our website. Our managers will also be using Pitchero to inform you of training and matches. Signing on fees and subs due are listed on the attached sheet.



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## Heritage Weekend – Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July

As part of the Heritage Festival, we are holding a “War of the Roses” football match on Saturday at 12.00 on the 3G at Bosworth Academy. This will be between teams made up from club coaches and teachers at Bosworth Academy. Hot food and drinks will be available at “The Boar & Ball” marquee. Please do come along and support this event if you can.

### Sponsorship

A massive thanks to Sprayforce who continue to support our club by sponsoring the coaches kit and players training tops. We also appreciate all those who have sponsored teams’ kits during the year. If you or your company are interested in sponsoring one of our teams, please do come and talk to us.

### Training Tops & Kit

A reminder that once signed on with the club all players are entitled to a training top. We are aware that some existing players have had their tops for quite a while and if you would like to swap up a size, please let us know. Spares or replacements can also be purchased for £10.00

The players kit remains the property of the club. Please only wear your kit for matches, NOT training. It must be returned if a player leaves. If not returned, we reserve the right to charge for a replacement.

### Volunteers

The club is continuing to expand but is still being run by a small committee. We are all volunteers and there are many jobs that need doing. Jobs like helping on the tea bar, and lots of IT and admin behind the scenes which could be done from home. If you feel you could help in any way, please do get in touch. It may only seem a small job to you, but if many people did lots of little bits, it helps to share the load.

Finally, if you have any questions please don’t hesitate to ask and everyone at the club wishes you all the best for the coming season.

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